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## WILL GATHER FACTS ALBERTA POST-WAR PROBLEM THIS MONTH

Most serious move undertaken in any part of Canada to obtain accurate facts and figures to aid Alberta in meeting their post-war problems practically will get underway in mid-January.

The plan is a sweeping one. The Alberta Post-War Reconstruction Committee knows that if it is to meet success, the farmers, businessmen and housewives of this province must give the plan their cooperation. To administer the plan, the committee has set up a survey management committee with the official support and backing of the Alberta government.

Leading the appeal for public support and co-operation with the province-wide survey is Premier Manning. Mr. Manning has stressed the immediate need now of ascertaining accurately the possibilities of our people and our production machines. This will be done through survey.

Thousands of Alberta farmers, big and small, businessmen and housewives in all salary groups will be asked to provide confidential and accurate information on their post-war needs and plans. The information will be held in strict confidence by the survey management and its voluntary workers. The information will only be used in bulk with other code number protects the individual's name.

Here, in summary form, is what the people of Alberta will be asked to provide:

1. A report of the changes affecting them, which have occurred in the last five years.
2. A statement of their expectations and plans for the post-war years.

Their suggestions of ways and means of facilitating the transition from a wartime to a peacetime economy.

3. Their recommendations for expanding industry, production, services and employment in the province.

The overall survey has been divided into three general sections: farm, business and household. Each division, a representative section of the public will be asked to provide the information needed to learn the needs and plans of that group.

To facilitate the tremendous job of gathering the exact information, this statistical survey management committee under Reg Ross, executive secretary of the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, has divided the province into 25 sections in each section it has enlisted the aid of a publicist group such as boards of trade, agricultural and other organizations.

It will be the men of these groups who will voluntarily tackle the work of gathering the detailed information through questionnaires and personal interviews. It is essential that real co-operation be given these volunteer workers.

Hon. A. J. Hooke, chairman of the Post-War Reconstruction committee, has stated the survey cannot be done unless Albertans, as individuals and organized groups lend it their wholehearted support.

"As individuals who can help by doing a 'workable'—a voluntary job, by giving the information asked of them," he has declared. "As organized groups that can help by declaring their support of the survey and by encouraging their members to participate. The committee believes the people will see the usefulness of the survey and will ensure its success."

"Their support will be a measure of their desire to meet the needs of effective organization for peace," the minister says.

Prime objective of the survey is to build a "workable" plan for the jobs for returning servicemen. Next to winning the war, this is Canada's most thought and Alberta can leave the way to do this is to first find out the province's job-making potentialities.

Only through employment will complete rehabilitation of the returning servicemen be gained. Through the survey it is hoped to find out just how much rehabilitation work is needed and how it can be done.

Through the province, the survey is being conducted in which 25 regional committees have been set up in each of the 25 sections and in each of the 25 sections and in each of the 25 sections.

representative of the regional committee will make his first call to your farm, household or business within a few days after that date.

More complete details of the various types of questionnaires will be announced by the survey management committee soon. Farmers, householders and businessmen should familiarize themselves with as general questions so that answers given to the representatives either verbally or the questionnaire form are as accurate as possible.

Accuracy is the keynote of the survey. The whole questionnaire form is designed to obtain accurate answers. Various types of questions will form a cross check so that the overall result will be detailed and exact.

Representatives of both city and country points are on the survey management committee.

Appointed to carry out the survey are: Mr. Ross, in charge of the survey from the Edmonton Chamber; Andrew Stewart, department of agriculture; Mr. W. H. Brown, of the University of Alberta; William Anderson, of Canadian Utilities Ltd.; Rudolph Hennig, United Farmers of Alberta; Dave Roberts, Alberta Association of Municipalities; Y. Hovind, Jr., Alberta Farmers' Union; J. H. Christensen, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce; Dr. C. S. Spence, Dominion Agriculture; Fred Chalk, Calgary alderman; E. J. Martin and H. D. Carrigan of the Reconstruction committee.

## OBITUARY

MRS. PHYLLIS G. HAMPTON

Phyllis Margaret Brown, daughter of the late James W. and Helen Brown was born at Iona Station, Ontario, April 15, 1898. She came west with her parents to Mooseman, Sask., where she received her education at Mooseman schools and Regina Normal, later teaching at Sinitula, Texas and Kipling, Sask.

On June 27, 1922 she was married to Stuart Hampton, then manager of the Bank of Toronto at Glendon, Sask. Her father died at Kipling, Sask. Several years their home was at Conquest, Sask., but owing to the failure of Mrs. Hampton, the family moved to Glendon, where Mr. Hampton manages Shoprite Store. Here a condition improved until early in December when her health rapidly declined and she passed away last Friday.

The late Mrs. Hampton will be long remembered by many relatives and friends who knew and loved her high Christian ideals, her sympathetic and considerate nature, and her good purpose as a wife and mother. Her sudden passing in the prime of life has cast a gloom over the lives of those nearest and dearest.

She was a member of the St. Andrew's Church, a member of the O.E.S. and gave, always, unfailing support to all community undertakings.

Left to mourn her loss are her devoted husband and two sons, Stuart Brown of Calgary and John Leslie at home also, her aged mother Mrs. A. H. Brown of Regina, three brothers and six sisters, Frank M. of St. Thomas, Ont.; John L. of Yorkton; Charles A. of Regina; Margaret (Mrs. E. Adams), Regina; Leona (Mrs. L. Munro) Deloraine; Gladys (Mrs. E. Adams), Regina; Gladys (Mrs. A. Laidy), Bethune; Victoria (Mrs. R. Stephens), Regina; Leila (Mrs. J. Stephens), Regina and a host of sorrowing friends.

Her husband and two sons accompanied the remains to Regina where the funeral service was held for the immediate family and relatives at the home of her mother and sister on Jan. 2, 1945. The funeral was held today at 2 p.m. from St. Peter's Anglican Church, Regina with Rev. J. G. W. Edwards officiating. Interment was made in Regina cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were completed by G. W. Edwards of Glendon and St. Peter's Funeral Home, Regina.

After January 1, no footwear manufactured in Canada may be shipped or displayed unless it bears a code number allocated by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. It is intended to safeguard consumers against degradation of quality, this identification conforms to that already in effect for other types of clothing. The code number will replace the manufacturer's WPTB label which is required to be placed on long for marking inside many lines of footwear.

## PTE. EDGAR TAYLOR BADLY WOUNDED WHILE IN ACTION

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Taylor have reason to be proud that their son, Pte. Edgar Taylor has been dangerously wounded while in action in Italy. He has been wounded in the eye and head by bomb fragments.

## HERE AND THERE

In spite of all the New Year or so to meet our hopes or fears through the months to come, and still face to face with the bitter sorrows and tears of this war-stricken world, we venture to greet our readers with the words of that very early French poet, Francois Villon (born 1431): Good Year! Good Week! Good Day!

Health, joy and honor with us stay. From Frost's door to, Beate's pass through, And joy and love may God give you.

Live long! Good year! Good week! Good day! Good year! Good week! Good day!

Is nineteen hundred and forty-five to be the historic year when once more "The Tumbler and the Shout" will be the captain and the king? "Alas, no man, be he prince or peasant, statesman, seer, priest or prophet can answer that troubling question, but hope we shall, and pray we must, that the new New Year, the dawn of peace may have come again.

The poetic minded inhabitant of this country may warm himself in the dark early hours these days by remembering that it's "always warmer somewhere," but he's more likely to be cheered by the thought that the days are getting longer. And certainly this is especially true of the citizen who started everybody who may be a thing of the past while the Rhine Island here he invested in are still present to be felt.

When vey-digger dawn hasn't even traced an line of light above the eastern margin of the sky, he must face the darkness. Then, crop like vines in California, faded claim, he notes nothing so much as the steady cold look of the leafless tree stood against the darkness in the chilly damp of the too tall grass neglected.

No one would ever guess he finds the trying of, course, to hear him boast of his pre-dawn chorale later in front of his friends. The spirit of it is really wonderful and should be encouraged. The garden will soon have to be dug up again and roads made ready for the planting. When the weather is so cold, he will be eating squash fixed one of seven ways each night of the week.

There was a very serious shortage of crocks in town for the New Year's celebration. There was plenty of refreshments during Xmas, but good crocks like this is impossible to have, consequently when New Year's arrived all most people had was fond memories and empty bottles to look at. There were some who stocked up with champagne and kept it for the New Year. They had never tasted the stuff before. Alas it was horrible stuff even though it came from Portugal and cost almost \$4 a bottle. The host and guests turned to their noses and drank from their opinion of the stuff. One guest stated it was the real thing, but the host and guests of other members of the Canadian armed forces bought it by the case in Algeria where they quaffed it off like cold water and the result was that there was anything to do with making it likeable.

Winter weather on the Canadian prairies is usually severe. But Southern Alberta furnishes a broad variety of climate that makes winter quite endurable, insofar as weather is concerned this section is the preferred spot on the plains. We have our cold spells and this section of Alberta, and also blizzards carrying swirling snow. But at intermittent intervals the sun shines and the Chinook swings across the crests of the Rockies to settle the bitter frosts out of the atmosphere and to furnish a refreshing "breath of life" to the inhabitants. The climate of the Canadian prairie country is a climate that makes winter quite endurable, insofar as weather is concerned this section is the preferred spot on the plains. We have our cold spells and this section of Alberta, and also blizzards carrying swirling snow. 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It Does taste good in a pipe

COBBLER

The Pick of Tobacco

## The Mining Industry

**DURING THE WAR YEARS** there has been a great reduction in the production of metal articles for civilian use. This is understandable in the light of the obvious importance of metals in the manufacture of arms and military equipment. Canada is now the largest metal exporting country in the world, and as such, has been able to make an outstanding contribution to the war program of the United Nations. Aluminum, copper and nickel are among the many metals that are of the utmost importance in warfare and Canada produces all these. Magnesium, a metal in great demand for the manufacture of aircraft, is also found here, and the development of its production has been one of the outstanding achievements of our war effort. Mercury production is another wartime development of note, Canada having opened the only large mercury mine in the British Empire. Since 1942, this mine has supplied all our own needs, and provided enough for export to Britain and the United States.

### Supply Exceeds Normal Demand

Canada's metal supply is considerably in excess of her normal needs, but some indication of the demands which have been made on the supply during the past few years, is demonstrated in figures given for the export of certain metals for war purposes. These figures show that at the outbreak of war, Canada contracted to send more than 1,000,000,000 pounds of aluminum, copper, zinc, nickel and lead alone to the United Kingdom each year. These amounts were increased when hostilities commenced in the Pacific and the United States entered the conflict. While the great volume of these exports has undoubtedly considerably depleted Canada's mineral wealth, there are indications that there are still vast deposits here which give promise of great development in the future. Many of these deposits lie in the area known as the North West, and it is likely that there will be numerous opportunities there for the opening of new mines, to replace some of those exhausted by the demands of war.

### Future Growth Is Important

In recent years interest in the development of new mining sites in Canada has been limited. The Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy last year presented a report on the future of the industry on Reconstruction, showing the dates on which mines now in use, were discovered. This report revealed that 63 per cent of the mines now in operation were opened before 1910; 15 per cent, between 1910 and 1920; 21 per cent, between 1920 and 1930; and five per cent, since 1930. Modern methods of discovering new mineral deposits have replaced those of early prospectors, and trained geologists, using electrical detecting devices, now locate new mine sites with speed and accuracy. Much of Canada's hope for the future lies in the continued expansion of the mining industry, which before the war gave employment to 107,000 people and contributed indirectly to the support of 1,200,000, or one-tenth of the total population.

### Sherman Outclassed

Allied Troops Have Praise For Germany's Royal Tiger Tank

Many officers and men of the Second Armored Division in Germany believe Germany's new "super" "King" Tiger tank with its "super" 88" gun is the best tank in battle today.

"Our Sherman are all right in their class, but they are out-classed," is the way the men put it. At least 20 Royal Tiger have been knocked out on this front, but the men who did it say it is a question of a lucky shot or simply overwhelming them with other tanks or tanks and destroyers.

The new Royal Tiger weighs between 67 and 72 tons, has a top speed of about 20 miles an hour, and its six inches of armor in front will turn Allied 75 and 76-mm. shells at ordinary distances. Armor on the side is two to three inches and on the back three to four inches thick. It has a new super velocity 88-mm. gun with a shell almost a foot longer than any previously used. The barrel of the 88 is more than 21 feet long.

### Bamboo Cane

It Now Is Grown In England And Scotland

All around Britain a strange harvest is being gathered in—a harvest of bamboo cane. Here the war has only Coriander grow this crop, but through the dying off of supplies from China and Japan the strong British cane has become of front-line importance. Its strength is the main reason why bamboo cane is so valuable for the support of heavy fruit crops. There are bamboo groves even in the north of Scotland where some of the finest cane grows. The cane dealers (usually also growers) will travel to any part of the British Isles to buy the whole crop outright, so heavy is the demand for crop supports. Bundles of 100 carefully-gathered canes are laid on a special bundling machine, a stick with a strong foot pedal, which ropes them together.

Beethoven, the great musical composer, showed signs of deafness

## Price Control And Rationing Information

Q—Must I turn my ration book in when I am leaving to take up my months' residence in the U.S.A.?

A—Yes. Anyone leaving Canada for a period of over 60 days must turn in his ration book to a Branch of the Ration Administration and on his return apply at a Branch and he or she will be given a ration book.

Q—My family prefer commercially packed cranberry sauce to the cranberries I prepare. How many preserves coupons must I use for a jar of cranberry sauce?

A—One preserves coupon must be surrendered for every 12 ounce jar of cranberry sauce.

Q—I understand that applications to local ration boards for ration books for babies may be filled in at hospitals. What about evaporated milk cards if the babies are on an evaporated milk diet?

A—Yes, at the same time as application for a newborn baby's ration book is signed at a hospital, a request for the infant's evaporated milk card, provided the infant's formula requires evaporated milk. And remember you can't get a ration book for the baby until it has been named.

Q—I have seen a list in the paper lately about the Standards division of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. What has the government got in mind with this?

A—The first thing to do is to turn it to the store from which you purchase. The Standards division has with an explanation. If this is not satisfactory, send it with the bill of purchase, the label from the garment, the one bearing the W.P.T.B. number or the manufacturer's mark. If you are not able to send the bill and label, you may send the bill and label from which you make your purchase and the date of the purchase. Send them to the Standards division in Ottawa.

Please send your questions or your request for the pamphlet "Consumers' News" or the Blue Book in which you keep track of your selling prices, mentioning the name of this paper to the nearest Wartime Prices and Trade Board office in your province.

### War Brides

An Immigration Movement Of Considerable Importance To Canada

In spite of the number of "war brides" already in this country, about 25,000 of them, with 8,000 children, remain in Britain, and from 400 to 600 British girls are each month being added to the number. This points to an immigration movement of considerable dimensions. All of these newcomers to Canada whenever they arrive, deserve the warmest of welcomes, and that, we feel certain, will be given to them—Brockville Recorder and Times.

Buy War Savings Stamps regularly.

If you suffer MONTHLY FEMALE PAIN, you will find relief in the use of LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S Compound. It is a sure cure for all the troubles of the female system. It is a sure cure for all the troubles of the female system. It is a sure cure for all the troubles of the female system.

### R.C.A.F. Sergeants Major In New Role

A crying baby has no respect for rank or sex as these five Sergeants Major of the R.C.A.F. found when they were pressed into service as nurse maids for youngsters of British War-Brides who recently arrived in Canada. Snapped by an R.C.A.F. photographer, the WO's seem to be enjoying their job. They are left to right, standing: WO3 J. M. Mills, St. John, N.B.; WO2 J. E. Montgomery, Toronto. Seated: WO2 J. V. MacIvaine, Montreal; WO2 L. G. Abbot, Camp Alton, Haney, B.C.; and WO2 R. L. Lovejoy, London, Ont.

### Hard To Decide

What To Do About Channel Islanders Is British Problem

In a curious little backwash of the war lie the Channel Islanders, the only British territory occupied by the Germans in this war.

The Channel Islanders, with some 60,000 inhabitants, are a short distance off the coast of France, and they were occupied by Germany more than four years ago. The collapse of France and its occupation by the Germans presented the British Government with a problem—whether the islands could be successfully defended, and if so, were they of sufficient strategic value to justify the necessary expenditure of men, ships and material in the different circumstances of 1940. The decision was to evacuate the troops, but most of the civilians had to be left to take chances with the enemy.

So the Germans have occupied those pleasant islands for more than four years. Now the situation has changed sharply. The German garrisons are cut off and can be neither evacuated, nor reinforced, nor relieved. The islands now are of not the least strategic advantage to Germany. But there the Germans stand—helpless.

The difficulty is that if the Germans are starved out we may be sure they will be the last to suffer. The islands now are of not the least strategic advantage to Germany. But there the Germans stand—helpless.

The Daily Telegraph writer suggests that the 7,000 German troops could be evacuated "with the honors of war" and returned to Germany, thus liberating the islands without a battle. He understands they are second-line, foreign conscript and so on, and of no great value in the defence of Germany, and he holds that it would be better to let them go home than to risk the lives of 60,000 British men, women and children. From this distance there seems to be some point to the suggestion.—Ottawa Journal.

### Value Of Forests

Necessary For Our Continued Existence In The Future

We all depend upon the forest, wherever we are, for the natural guarantee of our continued existence as producers and consumers of the fruits of the earth. In the long run, if we do not conserve our forests we shall lose more than our forest industries, so called. We shall lose our livings as farmers and food producers as well. In the long run, if we don't attend to conservation of our firs and pines and poplars, we shall make a desert where he can't get a living. That has happened before in the history of men and civilization. They cut down their trees, more than they should have done, and they made a desert, and the wind blew the dust of the desert over all the memorials of their time on earth—Vancouver Province.

It is the volatile oil present in a cedar cheat which kills moth larvae.

## ASK FOR AND DEMAND

**GT-100 CIGARETTE PAPERS**  
ON SALE EVERYWHERE IN CANADA  
13¢ per book  
BLACK COVER  
Thin Paper  
Slow Burning  
BLUE COVER  
Pure White  
Free Burning

### May Learn Secret

That If Salvaged Will Be Studied For Resistance Power

That the Tirpitz was still afloat after being twice torpedoed, once by the Russians and once by the British, and bombed at least half a dozen times, suggests that she was no less battleworthy than other sister ships, the Bismarck. The latter, it will be remembered, was an unconquerable time in sinking. Our naval construction experts will be rejoiced that the Tirpitz, unlike the Bismarck, has foundered in shallow water. Air reconnaissance reports that she is bottom up with her keel showing. This gives promise of later salvage, and an opportunity to study by what methods the Germans contrived to give such tremendous resistance power to these two ships.

Wing Cmdr. Tait and his gallant comrades have efficiently proved, however, that no naval Leaning Tower in existence, or likely to exist, is proof against a direct hit with a 12,000-pound bomb.

### SMILE AWHILE

"Laura could have married anybody she pleased."

"Then why is she still single?"

"She never pleased anybody."

Woman: (to neighbor)—"It's not him you marry a man that you find him out."

Mr. Neighbor:—"That's right. It was not till I'd married Harry that I found he was not every night."

"What!" cried the irate husband. "You paid \$10 for that bunch of flowers and call it a hat? Why, it's a sin... a sin, a sin!"

"Dearest," coaxed his wife, "let the sin be on my head."

Amateur Performer:—"I can pick up a cent piece with my teeth."

Bright Spectator:—"That's nothing. My dog can do that with his nose."

Constable: (to motorist)—"Take it easy; don't you see that sign."

Motorist:—"Here."

Motorist:—"Yes, officer, but I thought it was describing the village."

Rustic:—"Tucket to London for the missus."

Bookish Clerk:—"First or third, sir?"

Rustic:—"Sh! She's the third, but I never told 'er about it."

"I told her that each hour with her was like a pearl to me."

"And did that impress her?"

"No. She told me to quit stringing her."

Lady (at employment agency)—"I want a good cook for my country place."

Manager:—"Miss Jones, have we anybody here who would like to spend a day or two in the country?"

Explaining to his civilian friends his role in the artillery, a dusky soldier said:

"Ah opens de big gun, puts in a big shell, closes de gun, pulls de trigger, spouts black and says: 'Mistah Hittah, recount yur army!'"

"Your daughter has a great many admirers," said Mrs. Blenkins.

"Oh, yes," replied Mrs. Blenkins, "she puts nearly all her window curtains on the rods with her old engagement rings."

Mrs. Blow—How did you ever get a reference saying you were a perfect lady's maid?

Maid—I worked for a perfect lady once.

"How many times shall I bow?" said the novice entertainer at the battalion variety show.

"Bow?" said the stage manager. "No bowing for you mate; you'll have to duck."

A yellow flag hanging from a ship's binnacle indicates that there is pestilence aboard.

### This Was Different

Traveler Appreciated Well-Known Hotel In Ontario Town

It rained that afternoon in Oxford county—a slow, steady, misty rain which made everything wet, yet left little water on farm fields or city streets. I hopped off the bus and crossed the road to the hotel. The man who sleeps often, in these hoteliers, can classify them when his fingers touch the latch. If the latch is loose the door rattles, as, too, does the hotel. Then you will see Morpheus to the habble of endless conversation, by tramping of many feet, the slamming of doors—and awake, at last, from fitful slumber, wishing that the hotelier had never been born, or that he had chosen another occupation.

It was different, here the latch did not rattle, the door flowed smoothly to a cushioned stop. The rounds looked restful. The lady at the desk was quiet and efficient. "Yes, there was a reservation for me, room 14." The stairs were carpeted, the bed was clean and new, the bath was covered. I knew what I would find before I opened the door. The room was small but neat and clean. Everything was in its place. The lights were arranged to give light where it was likely to be needed. There was a chair beside the bed, a place for a watch than under a pillow. There was a place to put your bag, a stick to prop the window open. The ash tray contained neither stubs nor ashes. The Gideon Bible was new, a half-morocco cover. Perhaps only saints slept here—they had used it all.

Said I to myself: "Here is a hotel run by a person who has slept in it, to himself, he owned one. I wish that could be of all hotelkeepers."

### LUCKY CIVILIANS

The United States 3rd Army released a large quantity of captured food to civilians of Meitz. The booty was the winter reserve of the German garrison and included 150 tons of frozen beef, 20 tons of frozen corn, 80 cartons of flour, another batch of 100 tons of flour, big stores of miscellaneous canned goods and quantities of cheese.

### WHO SAYS WHAT

The effect of war information says it isn't so. The man who says it can't pronounce the letter "H". Exploding what it called a popular American "fact," O.W. reporter that the Chinese who can't pronounce "H", while the Japs can't say "L".

Tobacco was once used by Indians in Middle America as a medicine and as incense in religious ceremonies.

### HERE'S MY FEED PROBLEM

What should I look for when buying a hog starter supplement to put with my farm grains?

### HERE'S THE ANSWER

Look for Miracle! Sow and Starter Supplement. The name "Miracle" assures you that every ingredient in the bag has been scientifically tested for food value. Mix "Miracle" Sow and Starter Supplement with your farm grains for the best results.

### ASK FOR "MIRACLE" FEEDS





